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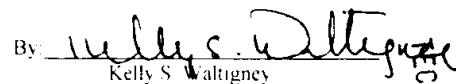
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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 16, 2002, please consider the following remarks.

Remarks

Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the following remarks. For the reasons set forth below, Applicant respectfully submits that the claimed invention is allowable over the cited references.

The above-referenced Office Action indicated that claims 18-27 stand rejected under Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over the *Jeng '073* patent in view of the *Bartholomew '080* patent. Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the above amendment to the claims and the following remarks. For the reasons set forth below, Applicant respectfully traverses and submits that the invention as now claimed is allowable over the cited references.

With respect to the prior art rejection under Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over the *Jeng '073* patent in view of the *Bartholomew '080* patent, Applicant respectfully submits that the asserted combination is improper and that the claimed invention is patentable under 35 U.S.C.